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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

WOOD ET AL.

Examiner

Harry S. Hong

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 31 December 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-36 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-4, 15-18, 29 and 30 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 5-14, 19-28 and 31-36 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 31 December 2003 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)
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- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
- 6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

2. Claims 1-4, 15-18, 29, and 30 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Wood et al. (Wood; 6,091,808; cited by the examiner and applied for the first time).

With respect to the independent claims, the entire patent to Wood plainly teaches the claimed method and systems for accessing call-related information associated with telephony services via a public data network; refer to Figs. 1-3. The claimed subscriber terminal reads on the WEB BROWSER 12. The claimed plurality of telephony network nodes read on the TELEPHONE SWITCH 16. The claimed converting the request for call-related information into a format compatible with the plurality of telephony network nodes and transmitting the converted call-related information request to a telephony network node have to be inherent and take place between the WEB FACILITY 22 and the TELEPHONE SWITCH 26; some type of converting must take place in order for the WEB FACILITY 22 and the TELEPHONE SWITCH 26 to communicate. Wood ultimately teaches the log of call-related information (Fig. 3) is transmitted to the subscriber terminal.

With respect to claims 2 and 16, Wood teaches receiving from the subscriber terminal a request to activate a telephony service; see column 9, lines 46 - 64.

With respect to claims 3 and 17, Wood teaches receiving from the subscriber terminal a request to initiate a call to a directory number associated with the received log of call-related information; see column 2, lines 6 - 16.

With respect to claims 4, 18, and 30, Wood teaches sending a subscriber identification request for display at the subscriber terminal for the purposes of authentication; see column 2, lines 21-30.

Allowable Subject Matter

3. Claims 5-14, 19-28, and 31-36 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Conclusion

4. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. The patents 6,714,641 B2 and 7,020,262 B2 are cited by the examiner since they are related to patent 6,259,771 B1 cited by the applicants.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Harry S. Hong whose telephone number is (571) 272-7485. The examiner is normally off on Wednesdays.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ahmad F. Matar can be reached on (571) 272-7488. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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/Harry S. Hong/
Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2614

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